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Rostock, and at the Rostocker Heide. The chief of all combat troops in Mecklenburg and Vorpommern is at Greifswald. Inspection teams frequently sally forth from his headquarters to visit units throughout Mecklenburg.

6. In the XXIX Corps area there are at least three Russian armored divisions with headquarters at Schwerin, Ludwigslust, and possibly Grevesmühlen (T-29). Three tank regiments, two of them possessing Stalin tanks, were in the forest near Schwerin, between Conrade (T-46) and Plate (T-45) and east of the Schwerin-Ludwigslust road. West of this road are further large troop encampments. Germans are barred from both areas. Other armored units in the XXIX Corps area during early May were the following:

1 light tank regiment	Schwerin
1 heavy " "	Kiekindemark Forest, south of Parchim (T-74)
2 " " regiments	Ludwigslust (new camp)
1 light " regiment	Alt Karlstadt Forest, near Grabow (T-52)
1 heavy " "	Forest near Lübbtheen (T-22)
1 tank section (sic)	Hagenow (T-24)
1 light tank section (sic)	Gadebusch-Schützenhof (T-27)

7. The following armored units occupied the LI Corps area during early May:

1 light tank section(sic)	Güstrow
2 tank regiments	Kranzer Forest (not located)
1 tank regiment	Forest east of Stargard (Q-85)
2 tank regiments	Forest east of Strelitz-Neustrelitz (U-54) road
1 tank regiment	Forest near Fürstenberg (U-52)
1 or 2 tank regiments	Forest south of Mirow (U-33)

8. The territory formerly assigned to the XII Corps contained the following units early in May 1948:

1 heavy tank regiment	Sagerheide, near Rostock
2 tank regiments	Forest encampment between Dargun (P-30) and Demmin
1 tank regiment	New camp in forest between Butzow (T-79) and Neukloster (T-69)
1 divisional staff	Rostock

9. The distribution of troops in Mecklenburg, by towns:

Gadebusch-Schützenhof	1 motorized infantry battalion 1 or 2 tank sections (sic)
Grabow	1 motorized reconnaissance detachment 1 heavy tank regiment and 1 motorized artillery section (sic) in Alt Karlstadt forest
Grevesmühlen	1 armored division headquarters 1 motorized infantry battalion 1 or 2 tank sections (sic) in forest east of town
Güstrow	1 divisional headquarters 1 armored division headquarters 1 light tank section (sic) 1 motorized infantry regiment 1 cavalry regiment 1 motorized light artillery regiment
Ludwigslust	1 armored division headquarters 1 motorized infantry regiment 1 motorized engineer battalion 2 heavy tank regiments (in camp outside town)

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Forest near Lübbtheen	1 heavy tank regiment 1 motorized reconnaissance detachment 1 motorized infantry battalion
Malchin	1 motorized engineer battalion
Neu Brandenburg	1 divisional headquarters 1 motorized infantry regiment 1 motorized engineer battalion
Neustrelitz	LI Army Corps headquarters 1 divisional " 1 armored division headquarters 1 motorized infantry regiment 1 radio detachment 1 motorized reconnaissance detachment 1 heavy tank regiment (now encamped at Zinow)
Parchim (Kiekindemark Forest)	1 motorized infantry battalion 1 motorized reconnaissance detachment 1 motorized artillery section (sic) 1 heavy tank regiment
Rostock	1 divisional headquarters 1 armored division headquarters
Rostock-Sagerheide	1 motorized infantry regiment 1 motorized engineer battalion 1 motorized reconnaissance detachment 1 heavy tank regiment
Rostocker Heide	1 divisional headquarters
Schwerin	XXIX Army Corps headquarters 2 or 3 divisional headquarters 1 motorized infantry regiment 1 artillery regiment 1 light tank regiment
Forests near Schwerin	At least two motorized divisions
Waren	1 unidentified division in forest east of Waren formerly stationed near Strelitz 1 motorized engineer battalion
Wismar	1 divisional staff 1 motorized armored grenadier regiment (sic) 1 engineer battalion
Wittenburg (T-25)	1 or 2 tank sections (sic) 1 motorized infantry battalion

10. The number of Russian occupation troops has increased in western Mecklenburg. Occupational brigade headquarters are located in Hagenow. Russian border control troop commanders are stationed in Zarsentin (T-15) and in Boizenburg (S-93).
11. There are no important Red Air Force fields in Mecklenburg. Approximately twenty fighter planes were based on the Rostock airfield in early May, while twenty others occupied the seaplane base at Warnemünde. The Schwerin field is used only by courier planes. Some Russian fighters are stationed at the airfield in the Zinow maneuver area near Neustrelitz. An airfield is under construction at Sachsenberg, near Schwerin. From 300 to 400 parachute troops were dropped in connection with the maneuvers held south of Schwerin in the spring of 1948, but the transport planes came from airfields in Brandenburg.

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Comment: No previous reports have identified more than four Russian divisions in the entire state of Mecklenburg. It is unlikely that there are as many units in the area as the informant wishes to lead one to believe.)

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